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Declaration under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.132

I, Chris Newham, declare and say:

That I am a citizen of the United Kingdom and I reside at 1 Bramley Avenue, Stretford, Manchester, M32 9HE;

That I studied Computer Engineering at Manchester Metropolitan University between 1995-2000.

That I have worked in the field of internet telecommunications since 2000 to present;

That I am familiar with the above-identified patent application and with the following references cited by the Examiner:

- EP 1 195 975 (Wilson, assigned to Intellprop)
- EP 1 168 791 (Wildman, assigned to Netcall)

That I have reviewed in particular the Wildman reference and noted that it refers to automated call distribution systems;

That I am generally familiar with such automatic call distribution systems and can state that these systems are used to route incoming calls that are dialled by a user, are used to monitor the progress of the calls, and are used to hold the incoming calls until an agent becomes free;

That the above-identified patent application does not relate to automatic call distribution systems, rather it is a method and apparatus for routing incoming text messages and ensuring that the sender of the text message is telephoned;

That an ordinary skilled person in the art of mobile telecommunication systems would not be familiar with the detailed teachings of Wildman as this relates to a different field – the field of call centre programming – and that there would be no reason to suppose that the ordinary skilled person in the art of mobile telecommunication systems would know or look to the teachings of Wildman to further develop the system of Wilson;

That the undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that wilful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United Sates Code and that such wilful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issuing thereon;

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Signed: